# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1631
ANSWERED ON:19.07.2004
BONDED LABOURERS
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**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) the names of the States where bonded labourers are still present alongwith the number of bonded labourers;

(b) whether these States are not complying with the directives of the National Human Rights Commission; and

(c) if so, the efforts made by the Union Government in this regard and the outcome thereof?

## Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI SIS RAM OLA)

(a):The number of cases from various states for release of grants for rehabilitation of bonded labour under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme pending with the Government are given in Annexure.

(b):It has been reported by the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) that out of the States mentioned in reply to part (a) above only Chhattisgarh is not sending the reports to the Commission on regular basis as required under orders of Hon`ble Supreme Court.

(c):States/UTs are requested from time to time to comply with the directions of the Supreme Court and send reports on identification, release and rehabilitation of Bonded Labour to NHRC on regular basis.

ANNEXURE

Statement referred to in reply to Part (a) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1631 for 19.7.2004 regarding Bonded Labourers.Number of bonded labourers who are in the process of rehabilitation, state wise is given below:

| State | No. of Bonded Labour who are in the process of rehabilitation |
|---|---|
| Bihar | 223 |
| Chhattisgarh | 593 |
| Jharkhand | 144 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 338 |
| Orissa | 19 |